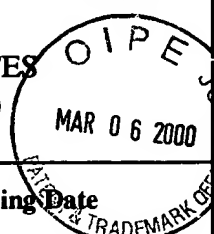


TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES  
DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)  
CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 USC 371



U.S. APPLICATION NO.  
(If known, see 37 CFR 1.53)  
NEW 09/486890

International Application No.  
PCT/JP99/03654

International Filing Date  
July 6, 1999

Priority Date Claimed  
July 6, 1998

Title of Invention

TRANSPARENT CONDUCTIVE FILM FOR USE IN TRANSPARENT TOUCH PANEL, TRANSPARENT TOUCH PANEL  
USING THE TRANSPARENT CONDUCTIVE FILM, AND METHOD FOR FABRICATING TRANSPARENT CONDUCTIVE  
FILM

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 USC 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 USC 371.
3. ☒ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 USC 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 USC 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
4. ☐ A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 USC 371(c)(2))
  - a. ☐ is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☒ has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☒ A translation of the International Application into English (35 USC 371(c)(2)).
7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 USC 371(c)(3)).
  - a. ☐ are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☒ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 USC 371(c)(3)).
9. ☒ An unexecuted oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 USC 371(c)(4)).
10. ☐ A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 USC 371(c)(5)).

Items 11. to 16. below concern other document(s) or information included:

11. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☒ A FIRST preliminary amendment.  
☐ A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.
14. ☐ A substitute specification.
15. ☐ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
16. ☒ Other items or information: (a) PCT Request (Japanese); (b) Forms PCT/IB/301, 304 and 308; (c) First page of published international application (WO 00/02119); (d) Formal drawings (A4 paper) for Figs. 1-20; and (e) Letter Concerning Drawings.

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17. [X] The following fees are submitted  <b>BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5)):</b>  [X] Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... \$840.00  [] International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) ..... \$670.00  [] No international preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) but international search fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) ..... \$690.00  [] Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO ..... \$970.00  [] International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(2)-33(4) ..... \$ 96.00  <b>ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =</b>				<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <th style="width: 50%;">CALCULATIONS</th> <th style="width: 50%;">PTO USE ONLY</th> </tr> <tr> <td style="height: 150px;"></td> <td></td> </tr> </table>		CALCULATIONS	PTO USE ONLY		
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- a. ☒ A check in the amount of \$1,512.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.
- b. ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 23-0975 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- c. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0975. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

**NOTE:** Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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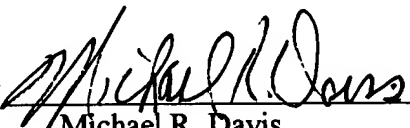
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Sir:

There are twelve sheets of formal (A4 paper) drawings submitted with the application papers filed concurrently herewith. Figs. 2, 13 and 17 are black and white photographs mounted on paper. Applicants also note that there is no original photograph used in Fig. 14.

Respectfully submitted,

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